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Homicide by reckless driving leaves two dead

Statement from Common Council President Cavalier Johnson August 9, 2021

Milwaukeeans have watched in horror as surveillance video captured a reckless driver plowing into another vehicle on Saturday (August 7) at N. 60th St. and W. Hampton Ave., leaving two 22year-old men dead, and loved ones grieving their senseless and tragic deaths.

Milwaukee Police say the crash occurred when two drivers were racing each other at high speed at approximately 4:40 p.m. After the crash, police arrested a 37-year-old man who was driving the vehicle that struck the vehicle that was occupied by the two 22-year-olds, and the other reckless driver (whose vehicle struck two other vehicles at the scene) – a 30-year-old man – was also arrested.

My prayers are with the families and friends of the two young men who were needlessly killed. I ask for the community to offer comfort and support to the men's loved ones during this incredibly difficult time, so they may have time to grieve in peace.

The two drivers carelessly put untold numbers of innocent citizens in danger, and ultimately their recklessly endangering behavior led to the senseless deaths of two young men.

I am hopeful that the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office will charge the reckless drivers in accordance with what they deserve, which I believe should be a charge that includes the word "homicide."

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